

CPUC PUBLIC MEETING COMMENT SHEET

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To CPUC:

[Begin W1]

Our principal concern about the sale of the PG&E power plants is regarding the Boat Wash Program that has been in effect for 20 years or more.

Will the new owners continue the same program as it now exist?

If the new owners operate the plants at a higher level we feel that this in itself is justification for the continuation of the program.

Even if the new owner don't crank up production we feel very strongly that the Program mentioned above must be maintained on a regular and continuing basis.

Your support would be greatly appreciated.

[End W1]

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W1 The commenter is concerned that the boat wash program at the Contra Costa and Pittsburg Power Plants, used as a means to mitigate fallout-type particulate (FTP) from these plants, continue and wants to know what new owners of these plants would be required to do about FTP. The DEIR clearly addresses these issues beginning on page 4.5-13 and proposes, via Mitigation Measure 4.5-4 (see page 4.5-76), a means to ensure that new owners will continue to address FTP impacts by having a program to verify and process claims related to FTP. The mitigation measure also requires the new owners of the Contra Costa and Pittsburg plants to develop procedures to minimize FTP emissions in future operations. In other words, boat owners will continue to be able to receive compensation for washing their boats if they can demonstrate that their boats need to be washed as a result of damage from FTP emissions from these two plants. This Mitigation Measure (4.5-4) is suggested by the EIR even though the analysis determined that the sale of the plants, and the possible resulting loss of PG&E's voluntary FTP cleanup programs, would not result in a significant environmental impact.